Employees receive Silver Snoopy awards

Several employees have recently received the coveted Silver Snoopy Award in recognition of their contributions to this nation's human space flight programs. Recipients will be featured in this edition and in forthcoming issues of the *Roundup*.


Elizabeth Bauer

Elizabeth Bauer, project engineer/manager, was cited for her support in developing the Human Research Facility, the Ku-Band Receiver System and Power Supply, and the Single Stowage Locker for the International Space Station. Her work has contributed to life science studies of the crew with the goal of a safe, technically advanced ISS.


Ginger Gibson

Virginia (Ginger) Gibson, support services specialist, was recognized for the support she has provided to NASA's space programs and the astronaut corps in her role as JSC's special events coordinator. Her promotion of JSC and NASA through numerous public relations and promotional events has given people in the local community, Texas and across the country a keener awareness of the benefits of the nation's space program.


Shakeel Razvi

Shakeel Razvi, deputy manager, Canadian Space Agency Elements and Robotics Integration, International Space Station Program, has made significant contributions to the integration and test of the Space Station Remote Manipulator System to be deployed on ISS Flight 6A. A risk mitigation test, which integrated the station arm with other station elements into an early test of flight software, was completed ahead of schedule and on budget because of his leadership.


Shelia Cowan

Shelia Cowan, chief, Electrical Branch, was cited for her efforts and success in assuring that through the use of reliability-centered maintenance predictive testing and inspection techniques, the electrical systems in the mission critical buildings and the astronaut training facilities are properly maintained.


Jerry Goodman

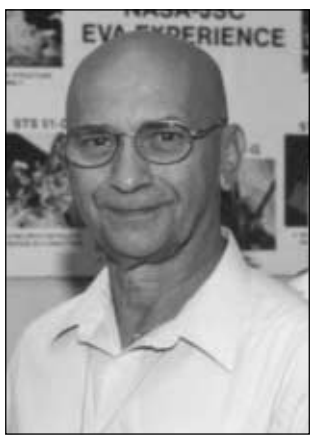
Jerry Goodman, acoustics lead for the space station, works requirements for modules, payloads, and government-furnished equipment including working with international partners on these issues. He was cited for placing increased awareness on the importance of acoustics as a technical discipline.


Roger Schwarz

Roger Schwarz, EVA tools engineer, has provided excellent leadership in the development of tools for use by space walkers. He served as project engineer for Development Flight Test (DTO) hardware that flew on the STS-49, STS-72, and STS-76 missions. The DTO missions tested EVA hardware that is currently in use for ISS assembly. His efforts have also been instrumental in the successful certification and acceptance of the Service and Performance Checkout Equipment that will be part of the ISS Airlock. He recently traveled to Lockheed Sunnyvale during STS-97 as a member of a JSC team that developed procedures for successful EVA repair of an ISS solar array mechanism.


Lindy Fortenberry and Frank Culbertson

Lindy Fortenberry, management analyst in the International Space Station Program Office, was recognized for her support to the Phase 1 Shuttle-Mir Program in establishing communications processes, flown artifacts management, and educational outreach. Her work in the establishment of ISS Program metrics and application of Phase 1 lessons learned has resulted in improved products that provide accurate indicators of the ISS Program's health.


Ralph Marak

Ralph Marak, aerospace test engineer, was instrumental in the development, certification, and delivery of Extravehicular Activity (EVA) equipment to support the highly successful Hubble Space Telescope servicing missions. Many of the HST servicing tasks involved EVA replacement of hardware that was not originally designed for on-orbit maintenance, so many special and unique tools were required, as well as handling aids and transfer equipment. This knowledge was utilized in the development of EVA tools and toolboxes for the ISS. His efforts to deliver EVA toolboxes on a tight schedule helped maintain the ISS assembly schedule. Two of the toolboxes are currently installed on the ISS, and two more are in flight processing at KSC for launch on the 7A mission.


Carolyn Fritz

Carolyn Fritz was cited for her work as the project manager for the Neutral Buoyancy Laboratory Space Station Remote Manipulator System. The NBL SSRMS provides a critical training capability for joint EVA/SSRMS operations. This capability will ensure that the upcoming space station assembly missions can be accomplished safely and successfully.

The Silver Snoopy Award, administered by the Space Flight Awareness Program, is the astronauts' personal award to individuals who have performed an outstanding effort contributing to the success of human space flight missions. Since the Snoopy represents the astronauts' own recognition of excellence and less than one percent of the NASA and contractor workforce is given the award, receiving it is a special honor. The awards are personally presented by a member of the astronaut corps. More Silver Snoopy presentations are planned this year. An indication of a surprise presentation is the special blue Snoopy "Symbol of Excellence" poster on display in work areas. Any individual whose job performance has contributed significantly to flight safety and mission success is eligible for this very special award.

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